

**BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
TASK FORCE MINUTES**

DATE: January 16, 2020

TIME: 9:00 AM CST

LOCATION: Poplar Conference Room
665 Mainstream Drive, 1st Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Harris, PT, Board Chair
LeAnn F. Childress, PT, Board Member
Jane David, PT Board Member
Kelly O'Connor, PT Board Member
Ronald V. Barredo, PT, Board Member

STAFF PRESENT: Noranda French, Board Director
Mary V. Bennett, Board Manager
Kara Love, Board Administrator
Lara Gill, Senior Associate General Counsel

GUESTS: Scott Newton - Task Force Member
David Finch-Task Force Member
Lou Alsobrooks-HEGR

Call to Order

Board Chair, David Harris called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Discuss and take action, if needed, regarding Physical Therapy rules

Mr. Harris started by asking if there were changes that needed to be made on pages 1-3.

Scott Newton wanted to know if we need to abbreviate ALL Physical Therapist (PT) and Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA), Board Attorney, Lara Gill referred to the definitions on page 1, and Mr. Harris agrees that ALL should be abbreviated and uniform.

Mr. Harris asked if there were any changes that needed to be made on pages 4-6.
Ms. Gill spoke about a change from Dr. Cathy Hinton, about the word Therapist.
Jane David clarified the change was on page 6 item D. under Substandard Care.

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Mr. Harris asked Ms. Gill about Universal Precautions at the top of page 7. , and wanting clarification on if it should state Standard Precautions? Ms. Gill advised that Ronald Barredo helped with this portion and could provide more clarity. Dr. Barredo stated the rule in question reads correctly as Universal Precautions. Ms. Childress pointed out that the internet information at the top of page 7 needs to be removed.

Mr. Harris moves forward to pages 8-10. Ms. Childress questions C. 2, on page 10.
Ms. Gill and board members agree to update the last sentence “or other accrediting bodies at the discretion of the Board”

Mr. Harris moves forward to pages 11-13. Dr. Barredo pointed out on page 13. 4. Electrophysiological Studies (a) “ECS” abbreviation should be spelled out.

Mr. Harris moves forward to pages 14-15. Ms. David requested that PTA be removed from item 3 statement “...valid license/certification as a physical therapist/PTA from a physical therapy licensing authority of the United States”

Ms. Harris moves forward to page 16. Ms. David questions the wording examination on item B. It should read “course work” instead of examination.

Mr. Harris moves forward to page 17. Dr. Barredo pointed out Item 4. E. on page 17 should be 4. Ms. David ask for clarity on what is proper to use “internationally” or “foreign trained” item 4? Board Members agree that the terms are used interchangeably.

Mr. Harris moves forward to pages 18-27. Board Members discussed CEU provider approval by the TPTA (tabled for March 13, 2020 Task Force Meeting)

Mr. Harris moves forward to pages 28-47. Item 4 on page 47 should have the last sentence removed, and replaced with “...before a therapist can practice dry needling in this state, the practitioner dry needling course work presented by a course provider must either be currently listed in the established approval list of dry needling provider, or if they are a new provider the information must be submitted to TPTA for review and approval and then submitted to the PT licensing board for final approval”

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:31pm.

THESE MINUTES WERE RATIFIED AT THE FEBRUARY 7, 2020 MEETING

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